

37872 to 37936—Contd. (Quoted notes by Dorsett and Popenoe.)

"(No. 150a. Remanso, Bahia, Brazil. February 20, 1914.) Seeds of the *favelleira*, a medium-sized tree with handsome dark-green foliage and spines on the young wood. The seeds are rich in oil and are delicious to the taste, having the flavor of the Brazil nut. Presented by Col. Angelo Camilho, of this place."

37917. IPOMOEA FISTULOSA Martius. Convolvulaceæ.

"(No. 151a. Oliveira, Bahia, Brazil. February 20, 1914.) Seed of a shrub very common along the banks of the Rio Sao Francisco and in low, wet places in this region; height, 10 to 15 feet, tall and slender, branching very little, stems slender and supple, flowers funnelform, 4 inches in diameter, lilac red in color. A very abundant bloomer. Seeds are expelled from the capsules at the slightest disturbance."

37918. SIDA sp. Malvaceæ.

"(No. 152a. Joazeiro, Bahia, Brazil. February 22, 1914.) Small plant 1 to 2 feet high, compact and bushy in form, shrubby at base. The flowers are funnelform, clear light yellow in color, very similar in appearance to *Linum flavum*, but not so deep in color. Might be of value as a greenhouse plant, on account of its dwarf, compact form and profuse blooming."

37919. NEOGLAZIOVIA CONCOLOR C. H. Wright. Bromeliaceæ.**Macambira.**

"(No. 153a. Joazeiro, Bahia, Brazil. February 23, 1914.) The *Macambira*, a bromeliaceous plant greatly resembling the pineapple in growth and appearance. It is found growing in great profusion among the rocks on the Ilha do Fogo, in the middle of the Rio Sao Francisco between Joazeiro and Petrolina, whence these seeds were obtained. The flower stalks are 4 to 6 feet high, the flower heads a foot long and 3 inches in diameter, producing seed in the greatest abundance. As far as we can learn, the fiber is not used here, though that of the caroá (*Neoglaziovia variegata*) is employed extensively for the manufacture of cordage."

37920. CUCUMIS MELO L. Cucurbitaceæ.**Muskmelon.**

"(No. 154a. Joazeiro, Bahia, Brazil. February 23, 1914.) Seed of the large yellow *melão* commonly sold here and grown in the vicinity of town. A salmon-fleshed melon with smooth, deeply ribbed skin, light yellow in color. The size is large, up to 15 or 20 pounds. The flavor is that of a small muskmelon; the quality very good. For trial in the Southwest, as it seems to be suited to dry lands."

37921. HYPPTIS LONGIPES St. Hil. Menthaceæ.

"(No. 155a. Joazeiro, Bahia, Brazil. February 23, 1914.) A trailing plant, common on the Ilha do Fogo, in the middle of the Rio Sao Francisco, between Joazeiro and Petrolina. It flourishes on pure sand and forms a close mat of stems, which suggests that it might be used in the Southwest as a sand-binding plant. Its flowers, borne in heads 1 inch in diameter and 6 inches above the ground, are bright purple in color, very ornamental in appearance."

37922. PSIDIUM sp. Myrtaceæ.**Guava.**

"(No. 156a. Joazeiro, Bahia, Brazil. February 23, 1914.) The *araça mirim*, or small guava, from the Horto Florestal. Fruit about an inch in diameter, yellow in color, thin skinned, the pulp soft, translucent, the